(b) No, Sir. The NEERI studied all the environment issues including ecological study, in depth, over a period of two years, by collecting primary data including seasonal variations in the region. Changes in microbiological character as well as oxygen depletion during the dredging are not expected to occur as per the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) prepared for the project. While implementing the project, marine environment quality on physical, chemical and bacteriological parameters is being monitored continuously. In addition, a Monitoring Committee to assess the environmental impact issues of the project has also been constituted under the Chairmanship of Dr. S. Kannaiyan, Chairman, National Bio-diversity Authority, Chennai.

(c) No, Sir.

Collection of toll tax

1231. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of highways on which toll tax is being collected;

(b) the year till which the toll tax is proposed to be collected;

(c) the details of toll tax collected during the last three years, National Highway-wise; and

(d) the rationale on which the toll tax and the total amount to be collected has been arrived at?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) The details of National Highways along with the users' fee (toll tax) collected during the last three years are annexed as Statement. *(See* below*)* This amount of users' fee does not include the users' fee charged for projects on the National Highways implemented through Public Private Partnership (PPP). The users' fee is collected in perpetuity.

(d) The levy of users' fee is regulated in accordance with the provisions of (i) The National Highways (Fees for the use of National Highway Section and Permanent Bridge-Public Funded Projects) Rules, 1997. (ii) The National Highways (Collection of Fees by any person for the use of section of National Highways Permanent Bridge/Temporary Bridge on National Highways) Rules, 1997 and (iii) The National Highways (Rate of fee) Rules, 1997 as amended from time to time.

Statement

National Highway-wise details of toll tax collected during the last three years

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.No.	National Highway No.	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
1	1	7051	8958	9727
2	2	6425	6224	844
3	3	919	1111	1434
4	4	0	0	155
5	5	2100	99	6231
6	6	247	449	456
7	7	362	129	96
8	8	9295	15863	20779
9	8A	359	478	462
10	8B	84	89	105
11	9	84	43	717
12	10	3	3	0
13	11	166	153	133
14	12	553	464	619
15	14	729	671	860
16	16	2	147	147
17	17	578	427	493
18	19	624	601	799
19	21	0	72	175
20	22	13	0	0
21	23	12	11	16
22	24	911	1377	128
23	27	18	36	148
24	29	63	78	75
25	31	430	389	346
26	37A	48	79	59
27	39	9	6	5
28	42	36	33	36
29	43	41	34	61
30	45	207	491	622
31	47	98	209	156

Sl.No.	National Highway No.	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
32	48	109	168	155
33	49	56	29	10
34	56	90	91	89
35	57	0	55	35
36	58	92	79	105
37	63	61	71	58
38	73	59	75	69
39	74	50	70	0
40	76	8	21	21
41	79	0	0	687
42	82	0	40	0
43	91	127	0	0
44	92	14	2	0
45	93	36	41	38
46	96	147	35	0
47	107	0	21	0
48	108	2	2	0

Funds from CRF for Assam

1232. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the ongoing projects funded by the Central Road Fund in the State of Assam as on 1st July, 2005;

(b) the details of the estimated cost, funds released and utilised during the last three years, project-wise; and

(c) the details of the target dates fixed for completion of each project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (c) The details of the on-going projects funded by the Central Road Fund in the State of Assam as on 1st July, 2005 and its target date of completion are given in Statement-I. (*See* below)